

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS

1. (Amended) A method comprising:

a) receiving a first request for a first reservation on a first aircraft flight through a reservation system, the reservation being associated with a first fractional owner;

b) receiving a second request for a second reservation on the first aircraft flight through the reservation system, the second reservation being associated with a second fractional owner;

c) in a processor, deducting a first value from a first use allocation stored in a memory associated with the first fractional owner responsive to the first request and the first aircraft flight; and

d) in the processor, deducting a second value from a second use allocation stored in the memory associated with the second fractional owner responsive to the second request and the first aircraft flight.

2. (previously presented) The method of claim 1 further comprising:

obtaining from the first fractional owner information identifying a first group of associated passengers; and

wherein step a) further comprises receiving the first request, the first request identifying at least one of the first group of associated passengers.

3. (previously presented) The method of claim 2 wherein step c) further comprises deducting the first value in an amount based on a quantity of passengers in the identified at least one of the first group of associated passengers.

4. (previously presented) The method of claim 3 wherein step c) further comprises deducting the first value in an amount based on a duration of the first aircraft flight.

5. (previously presented) The method of claim 1 further comprising, prior to step a), allocating the first use allocation to the first fractional owner.

6. (previously presented) The method of claim 5 further comprising collecting from the first fractional owner a first fee based on the first use allocation.

7. (previously presented) The method of claim 5 further comprising allocating the first use allocation to the first fractional owner based on a fraction-owned by the first fractional owner.

8. (previously presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the first fractional owner owns a fraction of an aircraft used in the first aircraft flight.

9. (previously presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the first value is based in part on whether the first fractional owner owns a fraction of an aircraft used in the first aircraft flight.

10. – 12. (Canceled)

13. (previously presented) The method of claim 10 further comprising reducing a value from a use allocation of the first fractional aircraft owner responsive to the passenger aircraft flight.

14. (previously presented) An apparatus comprising:

a memory storing a first use allocation associated with a first fractional owner, the first fractional owner owning a fraction of a first aircraft, the memory further storing a second use allocation associated with a second fractional owner;

a processing circuit, coupled to the memory, operable to

- store the first use allocation for the first fractional owner in the memory;
- store the second use allocation for the second fractional owner in the memory;
- deduct a first value from the first use allocation based on participation on an aircraft flight by a first set of one or more passengers associated with the first fractional owner; and

deduct a second value from the second use allocation based on participation on the aircraft flight by a second set of one or more passengers associated with the second fractional owner.

15. (previously presented) The apparatus of claim 14 wherein the processing circuit is further operable to deduct the first value in an amount based on a quantity of passengers in the first set of one or more passengers.

16. (previously presented) The apparatus of claim 15 wherein the processing circuit is further operable to deduct the first value in an amount based on a duration of the aircraft flight.

17. (previously presented) The apparatus of claim 14 wherein the processing circuit is further operable to deduct the first value in an amount based on a duration of the aircraft flight.

18. (previously presented) The apparatus of claim 14 wherein the processing circuit is further operable to store the first use allocation to the first fractional owner, the first use allocation based on a fraction owned by the first fractional owner.

19. (previously presented) The apparatus of claim 14 wherein the processing circuit is further operable to deduct the first value from the first use allocation based on participation on the aircraft flight, the aircraft flight employing the first aircraft.

20. (previously presented) The apparatus of claim 14 wherein the processing circuit is further operable to deduct the first value from the first use allocation in an amount based on whether the aircraft flight employs the first aircraft.

21. (previously presented) The apparatus of claim 16 wherein the processing circuit is further operable to deduct the first value from the first use allocation in an amount based on whether the aircraft flight employs the first aircraft.